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Governor Musgrove Appoints John Charles Riles to the

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(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has appointed John Charles Riles of Vicksburg to the Mississippi State Board of Funeral Services. He will be representing the First Supreme Court District for a four-year term commencing July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2007.

Mississippi State Board of Funeral Services

"Mr. Riles brings a broad range of experience to the Mississippi State Board of Funeral Services," said Musgrove. "I am confident he will represent the public well."

Riles has 43 years of experience and has been a funeral home director and embalmer. He was the Warren County Coroner from 1971 to 1975 and was on the Warren County Bridge Commission from 1995 to 1997. He is currently co-owner of J. Charles Riles Funeral Home in Vicksburg and owned Fisher-Riles Funeral Home from 1960 to 1995. He was a member of Vicksburg Jaycees from 1968 to 1972 and Vicksburg Kiwanis Club for 25 years. He was also part of the Mississippi Funeral Directors Association, National Funeral Directors Association, and National Selected Morticians.

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